

Bishop Robert Duke, the subject of this sketch, is an enterprising business man of Heber, and one of its most trusted citizens.

He was born at Provo, December 4, 1857, and when three years of age came to Provo valley, at that time almost a sage brush desert. During his boyhood days, he worked on his father's farm in summer and attended school in winter.

He took the business course at the B. Y. Academy at Provo in 1878-9, and upon his return he went into



Mark Jeff's store as clerk and bookkeeper in which capacity he served about twenty years.

He fulfilled a two-year mission to the northern states, principally in Indiana and Ohio, from 1890 to 1892. Upon his return he was elected treasurer of Wasatch county, in 1892 and served four years working in Mark Jeff's store as bookkeeper at the same time.

In 1897 he was elected a member of the town board of Heber, and in 1899 was elected president of the board. February 10, 1901, he was chosen bishop of Heber East Ward and is now bishop of the First Ward of Heber city.

In 1905 he was elected a member of the city council for the four-year term.

In his upright, honest and straightforward course in all his dealings with his fellow-man, he has won the confidence and respect of the people, not only of Heber city, but of Wasatch county.

On February 9, 1882, he married Anna J. Peterson, and has a family of eight children—five boys and two girls.